

## **FISCAL UPDATE News Article**

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## WATERSHED PLANNING ADVISORY COUNCIL MEETING

**Meeting.** The Watershed Planning Advisory Council (WPAC) met on July 13 in Des Moines. Chairperson Claire Lindahl called the meeting to order. Items discussed included:

- A presentation on water quality monitoring in large watersheds was given by Adam Schneider, Department of Natural Resources.
- A discussion about meeting notices, parliamentary procedures, and other requirements of state boards or commissions.
- The Council has three working groups, and Group Three presented a draft recommendation to the Council. The main recommendation was that all publicly funded watershed projects include a water quality monitoring or assessment feature that will measure the project's success in improving water quality. Members were encouraged to review the draft and to e-mail comments that will be discussed at the next meeting.
- A discussion on how to present the WPAC findings to the Legislature was held. This included having a presentation at the Capitol and inviting legislators to meet WPAC members to discuss the findings of the Council.

**Next Meeting.** The next meeting will be held in October, although the date of the meeting has not been decided.

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